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ORIGINAL: ARABICLETTER DATED 27 AUGUST 1992 FROM THE PERMANENT REPRESENTATIVE
OF KUWAIT TO THE UNITED NATIONS ADDRESSED TO THE PRESIDENT OF
THE SECURITY COUNCIL

On instructions from my Government, I wish to transmit to you the following:

"Kuwait welcomes the Security Council's adoption of resolution 773 (1992) concerning the report of the Iraq-Kuwait Boundary Demarcation Commission. This resolution falls within the series of resolutions relating to the situation between Kuwait and Iraq and dealing with the consequences of the Iraqi invasion of Kuwait. The current resolution constitutes support for the legal mechanism with which the Security Council has defused the time bomb that the Iraqi regime planted at the heart of peace and security in the Gulf region through its refusal of all the efforts made before the Iraqi invasion and occupation to demarcate the boundary between Iraq and Kuwait in accordance with the agreements concluded between the two countries and through its persistence in its expansionist aggressive intentions.

"Resolution 773 (1992) derives particular importance from the fact that it has legal content, endorses practical measures and transmits a political message wholly oriented towards the service of peace and security in the region by settling a problem that has engendered consequences that threaten international peace and security.

"From the legal viewpoint, the Security Council welcomes the definitive results arrived at by the Boundary Demarcation Commission with regard to the land boundary between Kuwait and Iraq. Those results were arrived at with the participation of all members of the Commission, following concentrated efforts on the part of all, in the course of which large quantities of legal and historical instruments and documents were examined in order to resolve the issue. The Security Council has also invited the Commission, on the basis of its competence pursuant to the report of the Secretary-General, to demarcate the offshore boundary between the two countries and to complete its work as soon as possible. As a practical result of those resolutions, the Security Council has

requested the Secretary-General to realign the demilitarized zone to correspond to the new international boundary between Kuwait and Iraq and has called for the removal of the police posts located in Kuwaiti territory.

"The political message borne by resolution 773 (1992) relates to the reiterated expression of the guarantee by the Security Council, and also the international community as a whole, of the inviolability of the boundary between Kuwait and Iraq and its defence by all the means available under the Charter. The importance of this political step stems from observation of what has emerged once again in the statements of Iraqi officials, namely, an irresponsible return to spurious allegations regarding Kuwait, on the pretext of historical arguments that accord with neither logic nor reality and that express nothing but a desire to keep the region a battle ground of instability and tension. Over and above all this, the Iraqi allegations express a reversion from unconditional and absolute acceptance of the relevant Security Council resolutions and are an indication of the quality of the Iraqi regime's respect for international commitments. The time has come to bury these tendencies, to achieve stability in the region and to direct our attention to man and his dignity, security and economic and social security.

"Kuwait expresses its appreciation to the Security Council for the adoption of resolution 773 (1992), which is a continuation of the Council's position of principle on a just cause and constitutes a contribution to stability and security in the region. Kuwait is pleased to take this opportunity to renew the assurances of its confidence in, and to express its gratitude to, the President and members of the Iraq-Kuwait Boundary Demarcation Commission and to all those working in this field, the purpose of which is the achievement of peace. As Kuwait renews the assurances of its confidence in, and gratitude to, the Chairman and members of the Commission, it is confident that the Commission will complete its work by demarcating the offshore boundary, as requested by the Security Council. A door through which the squalls of instability have long penetrated will then be closed for ever.

"Kuwait, for its part, will adhere fully to resolution 773 (1992) and will continue to participate positively in the Boundary Demarcation Commission and to support its efforts until it achieves its purposes as set forth in Security Council resolution 687 (1991)."

I should be grateful if you would have this letter circulated as an official document of the Security Council.

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